

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A method having the following steps for managing device drivers in an information processing apparatus connectable to peripheral devices is disclosed. The
5 method comprises obtaining version information for device drivers in the information processing apparatus and information on peripheral devices that can be controlled by the device drivers, a recognizing unnecessary device drivers among possibly multiple
10 versions of device drivers that reside in the storage device of the information processing apparatus and correspond to a particular peripheral device, based on the obtained version information and peripheral devices information, and controlling deletion of device drivers
15 that have been recognized as unnecessary.